



# CALIFORNIA STATE THREAT ASSESSMENT CENTER

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### **(U) CALIFORNIA**

#### **(U) San Bernardino – Authorities Seize 100 Fentanyl Pills**

(U) Authorities seized more than 100-pounds of fentanyl in the city of San Bernardino on Thursday, according to officials. During a traffic stop, investigators found “evidence that led to a search warrant” for a home the San Bernardino County Sheriff’s Department said in a news release. Investigators seized 104-pounds of fentanyl pills, 5 ounces of meth and a gun from the car and home, authorities said.

SOURCE: 13 November 2022, [Los Angeles Times](#)

#### **(U) San Diego – Law Enforcement Operation Nets Cache of Guns and Narcotics**

(U) A monthlong investigation by San Diego police led authorities to find several guns and drugs, including loaded pistols and 1,000 doses of LSD, and led to the arrest of an 18-year-old man. The suspect was arrested on suspicion of gun and drug charges. San Diego police said two homes were searched, one on E Street in East Village and one on Lake Murray Boulevard in La Mesa. In the East Village home, authorities said they found a loaded handgun with a 20-round magazine, a high-capacity rifle, and a pistol grip with a loaded high-capacity magazine. They also found prescription drugs and \$50,000. The La Mesa home search turned up 240 bottles of Xanax, 1,000 doses of LSD, as well as cocaine and ecstasy.

Authorities also found a shotgun, seven rifles and 12 handguns.

SOURCE: 11 November 2022, [The San Diego Union-Tribune](#)

### **(U) NATIONAL**

#### **(U) New Jersey – Man Charged With Online Threat to Synagogues**

(U) Newark – A man accused of posting a broad online threat last week that spurred heightened security at Jewish synagogues and schools in New Jersey expressed admiration for white-supremacist mass murderer Dylann Roof and said his planned attack was in retaliation for the 2019 mosque shootings in Christchurch, New Zealand, federal prosecutors said in announcing a criminal charge last week. Omar Alkattoul, 18, of Sayreville, is charged with transmitting a threat in interstate and foreign commerce, and was scheduled to make his initial court appearance in Newark, where he will be represented by a federal public defender. According to a criminal complaint filed in federal court, Alkattoul expressed hatred of Jews and admitted posting online that “God cursed the Jewish people and God should burn gay people.” He also told investigators he had researched how to obtain a gun, shooting ranges, and mass shootings but in the days before posting his threat was “about ‘50/50’” on whether he would carry out an attack.

SOURCE: 10 November 2022, [Associated Press](#)

#### **(U) Virginia – Three Killed, Two Injured in Shooting at University of Virginia**

(U) Charlottesville – Three people were killed, and two others were injured in a shooting at the University of Virginia on Sunday night, and students were advised to shelter in place, leaving the order in place until about 12 hours later on Monday morning. University of Virginia President Jim Ryan said officials have identified the suspect as student Christopher Darnell Jones, Jr., who was apprehended on Monday morning. Officials canceled classes on Monday because of the incident.

SOURCE: 14 November 2022, [The Hill](#)

**(U) INTERNATIONAL**

**(U) Australia – Police Blame Russia-Based Hackers for Attack on Bank**

(U) Sydney – Russia-based hackers were behind the cyberattack on insurer Medibank Private Ltd, which compromised the details of just under 10 million current and former customers, Australian Federal Police said on Friday. Australian Federal Police (AFP) Commissioner Reece Kershaw blamed a loosely affiliated group of cyber criminals likely responsible for other big breaches around the world for the attack on Medibank. Kershaw said the AFP knows which individuals are responsible but did not immediately identify them.

SOURCE: 10 November 2022, [Reuters](#)

**(U) Belgium – Police Officer Killed in Suspected Terror Attack**

(U) Brussels – A lone assailant killed one police officer and wounded another Thursday in a stabbing attack that two Belgian judicial officials said was suspected to be terrorism-linked. The suspect was shot and taken to a hospital. A spokesman from the federal prosecutor's office said the suspect was wounded by a police officer after the stabbing. According to Belgian media, the attacker shouted "Allahu Akbar," the Arabic phrase for "God is great," during the attack.

SOURCE: 10 November 2022, [Associated Press](#)

**(U) China – Officials Seize Narcotics Hidden in Industrial Machine**

(U) Hong Kong – Hong Kong customs officials seized about 220-pounds of methamphetamine hidden in an industrial device being sent from Mexico, authorities said today. Part of the device, an electromagnetic separator that removes metal particles from other materials, was hollowed out and contained crystal meth worth an estimated 60 million Hong Kong dollars (\$7.7 million), they said. The drug seizure was the fourth involving large machines sent from countries in the Americas this year, according to Alan Lam, the Customs and Excise Department's airport investigation division commander.

SOURCE: 14 November 2022, [Associated Press](#)

**(U) Turkey – Six Killed in Bombing Targeting Commercial Area**

(U) Istanbul – At least six people were killed, and 81 others injured in an explosion on Istanbul's best-known commercial street, according to officials in Turkey. President Recep Tayyip Erdogan described Sunday's blast on Istiklal Avenue as an attack and vowed to identify those responsible for it. Istanbul has been the scene of attacks before. On New Year's Day in 2017, a gunman shot and killed 39 people at a nightclub. Almost 80 others were also injured. In 2003, a series of suicide bombings was carried out using trucks at four locations in the city.

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